



# WICHITA SCOTTISH RITE DOUBLE EAGLE



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2017!

Have a Happy and Joyous New Year

2017!

## Schedule of Events

### Please Mark your Calendar

- 3 January, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM  
Potluck Dinner 6:00 – 7:00 PM  
**Elmo Lodge of Perfection Meeting 7:00 – 8:00 PM**
- 4 January, Wednesday** Knights of St Andrew Meeting 7:00 - 8:00 PM
- 10 January, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM
- 17 January, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM
- 22 January, Sunday** **Sunday Family Lunch 11:30 – 2:30 All you can eat Pasta**
- 24 January, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM
- 26 January, Thursday** Free Lunch 11:30 – 1:00 Menu: Chicken & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Salad
- 30 January, Monday** Masonic Unity Council 6:00 – 7:00PM
- 31 January, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM
- 3 February, Friday** **Rite Care for Kids Fundraiser 5:30 PM - 10:30 PM**
- 7 February, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM  
Potluck Dinner 6:00 – 7:00 PM  
**Elmo Lodge of Perfection Meeting 7:00 – 8:00 PM**
- 8 February, Wednesday** Knights of St Andrew Meeting 7:00 - 8:00 PM
- 14 February, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM
- 19 February, Sunday** **Sunday Family Lunch 11:30 – 2:30 PM All you can eat BBQ**
- 21 February, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM
- 23 February, Thursday** Free Lunch 11:30 – 1:00 PM Menu: BLT Sandwiches & Soup
- 28 February, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM
- 7 March, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM  
Potluck Dinner 6:00 – 7:00 PM  
**Elmo Lodge of Perfection Meeting 7:00 – 8:00 PM**
- 8 March, Wednesday** Knights of St Andrew Meeting 7:00 - 8:00 PM
- 14 March, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM
- 21 March, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM
- 26 February, Sunday** **Sunday Family Lunch 11:30 – 2:30 PM All you can eat**
- Cajun**
- 28 March, Tuesday** Coffee and Donuts 8:00 – 9:00 AM
- 30 March, Thursday** Free Lunch 11:30 – 1:00 PM Menu: Meatloaf, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans



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**A VALENTINE**  
that **Makes a Difference**

**RiteCare for Kids**

Friday, February 3rd, 2017

**MURDER MYSTERY**

PERFORMED BY SIGNATURE THEATRE

DINNER | DRINKS  
SILENT AUCTION  
LIVE AUCTION

Doors Open at 5:30 pm  
Dinner by Scotch & Sirloin

\$75 per person | \$125 per couple  
\$500 table of 8

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or call 316-263-4218



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WICHITA, KS 67202

## Spring 2017 Reunion

April 14 & 15 2017 will be the 345<sup>TH</sup> Reunion. All actors it is not too early to start rehearsing your parts. Anyone wishing to have a part in the degree work, contact Ron Van Etten at 316-744-0796.

Brothers it's time to start courting your Brothers and friends and give them a Petition for the Scottish Rite Degrees of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.



## ATTEND ELMO LODGE OF PERFECTION MEETINGS AND EVENTS

### Free Lunch Thursday 26 January 2017

Menu: Chicken & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Salad. Open to all Scottish Rite members, their guests and the public. Cost, a goodwill donation from non-Members (\$7.00). Donations from members is greatly appreciated to help with meal costs.

### Join us for good food and fellowship.

OFFICE	ELMO LODGE OF PERFECTION	OFFICE	WICHITA CHAPTER ROSE CROIX
Venerable Master	Tony G Nelzen, KCCH	Wise Master	Ross B Smith, 33°
Senior Warden	Gary Mason, 33°	Senior Warden	John M Myers, 33°
Junior Warden	Michael Snively, KCCH	Junior Warden	Tony G Nelzen, KCCH
Orator	John Rhoads, 32°	Orator	Kevin Pistotnik, 32°
Chaplain	Wayne Price, KCCH	Chaplain	Wayne Price, KCCH
Secretary	Jim Davenport, 33°	Secretary	Jim Davenport 33°
Treasurer		Treasurer	
Expert	Jon McConnell, 32°	Expert	Travis Sharp, 32°
Assistant Expert	Leroy Roseberry, 32°	Assistant Expert	Leroy Roseberry, 32°
Tiler	Justin Crippen, 32°	Tiler	Gary Mason, 33°

OFFICE	WICHITA COUNCIL KNIGHTS KADOSH	OFFICE	WICHITA CONSISTORY
Preceptor	Paul Ditty, KCCH	Master of Kadosh	Michael Snively, KCCH
1st Sub-Deacon	Christopher Magonigle, 32°	Prior	David Snyder 33°
2nd Sub-Deacon	Michael Snively, 32°, KCCH	Preceptor	Tony G Nelzen, KCCH
Orator	Jon McConnell, 32°	Orator	Mike Bennett, KCCH
Chaplain	Wayne Price, KCCH	Chaplain	Wayne Price, KCCH
Secretary	Jim Davenport, 33°	Secretary	Jim Davenport, 33°
Treasurer		Treasurer	
Expert	Travis Sharp, 32°	Expert	Gary Mason, 33°
Assistant Expert	Leroy Roseberry, 32°	Assistant Expert	Leroy Roseberry, 32°
Tiler	Tony G Nelzen, KCCH	Tiler	Jeffrey Polson, 32°

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Trustee	Curtis Irby, 33° Re-elect 2018
Trustee	Ron Van Etten, 33° Re-elect 2017
Trustee	Bob Brill, 33° Re-elect 2019



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or make other membership inquiries,  
either eMail or call.

## Sunday Family Lunch at the Wichita Scottish Rite

**26 March 2017 All you can eat Cajun**

All you can eat Cajun. \$10.00 per person, dine in or carry out. Restrictions on carry out orders. Call 316-648-9043 for takeout orders. Starting at 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM or when the food runs out, which ever comes first.



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### Seriously

Please help up save money/costs by providing us with your eMail address.

Please send your eMail address to  
[lisa@WichitaScottishRite.org](mailto:lisa@WichitaScottishRite.org)

### IT'S NOT TOO LATE

It's time to start thinking of your friends that you would like to invite to become Masons and the Brothers that you would like to invite to become Scottish Rite Masons. Get them petitions. If you don't have a petition ask your lodge secretary.

### Knights of St Andrew

This is an invitation for all 32° Black Hats to join the Wichita Chapter of the Knights of St Andrew. All new 32° Scottish Rite Masons in 2016 have been given a free one (1) year membership in the Knights of St Andrew. Come to the meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM for fellowship and to learn about the Knights.

The Knights of St Andrew are the premier work group at the Wichita Scottish Rite, in that they work where ever they are needed. They are like jacks of all trades. The Knights tyle the entrances for events, cook in the kitchen, do service projects, give building tours, fill non speaking parts in the degree work, etc. The Knights of St Andrew were formed to give new Scottish Rite members and 32° Black Hats who have not been active for a while, a place to get involved and learn more about the Scottish Rite. Dues after your initial free year are \$10.00 per year or \$50.00 for a lifetime membership.

**Come to the meetings on the first Wednesday of each month to see what is going on.**

## Rite Care for Kids Fundraiser 2017

Join us on February 3, 2017 for a night of fun and to support a great cause. We will have a great meal catered by Scotch & Sirloin, a cash bar with free Champagne and lots of chocolate and other goodies including a chocolate fountain. We will have entertainment by the Wichita Scottish Rite Signature Theatre who will present a Mystery Theatre production involving love and intrigue. While all of this is going on you can browse the silent auction items and make your bids on some really great deals! The evening will culminate with a live auction where you can compete for some very special packages. All of this is to benefit kids with speech, language and hearing disorders along with those afflicted autism through our support of the Rite Care clinic at Wichita State University in the great work that they do helping to improve the lives of kids with these disorders.

Follow the link below for more information and to purchase your tickets for a great evening of fun, food, entertainment and support of a good cause!

### [Rite Care for Kids](#)

To find out more about our Scottish Rite philanthropy, RiteCare, follow the link below to the Wichita Scottish Rite website to see the Orient publication, Rite for Kansas. This is a quarterly publication that covers the activities in Kansas in support of our five (5) RiteCare clinics. This link will take you to a page with the current and past Rite for Kansas newsletters.

### [Rite for Kansas RiteCare Newsletters](#)

### **They Remain in our Hearts**

Please remember our departed Brethren and keep them and their families in your prayers. October through December 2016

Robert L Bergman, Gary W Bertram, William L Black, Peter M Christy, James G Hodges, Evan M Jones, Oscar A Orton, Joe W. Wenzel



## ASK A BROTHER OR FRIEND TO BECOME A SCOTISH RITE MASON

### **Free Lunch Thursday 30 March 2017**

Menu: Meatloaf, Scalloped Potatoes, & Green Beans. Open to all Scottish Rite members, their guests and the public. Cost, a goodwill donation from non-Members (\$7.00). Donations from members is greatly appreciated to help with meal costs.

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**North Star Lodge #168** District #29 316-519-8083  
212 N West St Wichita KS  
Meeting 2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> Thursdays 7:30 PM

**Sunflower Lodge #86** District #26 316-945-8882  
2929 W Pawnee Ave Wichita KS  
Meeting 2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> Tuesdays 7:30 PM

**Haysville Lodge #112** District #26 316-768-9202  
300 S Main St Haysville KS  
Meeting 2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> Mondays

**Derby Lodge #365** District #26 316-788-4477  
125 E Market St Derby KS  
Meeting 2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> Tuesdays 7:30 PM

**Douglass Lodge #151** District #26 316-776-9567  
916 D 3<sup>RD</sup> St Douglass KS  
Meeting 2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> Thursdays 7:30 PM

**Mulvane Lodge #201** District #26 316-768-9652  
104 ½ W Main St Mulvane KS  
Meeting 1<sup>TH</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> Wednesdays 7:30 PM

**Mystic Tie Lodge #74** District #27  
526 ½ State St Augusta KS  
Meeting 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> Tuesdays 7:30 PM

**Patmos Lodge #97** District 27 316-452-1049  
401 S Haverhill Rd El Dorado KS  
Meeting 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> Thursdays 7:00 PM

**Joppa Lodge #223** District #27 316-323-8970  
115 W Mechanic St Leon KS  
Meeting 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> Wednesdays 7:30 PM

**Latham Lodge #401** District #27 620-843-2551  
229 W Blaine St Latham KS  
Meeting 2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> Tuesdays 7:30 PM

**Halstead Lodge #46** District #28 316-258-2034  
127 W 1<sup>ST</sup> St Halstead KS  
Meeting 2<sup>ND</sup> Sunday 7:00 PM

**Newton Lodge #142** District #28 316-283-1199  
106 E Broadway Newton KS  
Meeting 2<sup>ND</sup> Wednesday 7:30 PM

**Wellington Lodge #150** District #29 620-326-2002  
2129 N A St Wellington KS  
Meeting 2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> Mondays 7:30 PM

**Sumner Lodge #203** District #29 620-845-6869  
No Building in Caldwell KS  
Meeting 1<sup>ST</sup> Thursday in December 7:30 PM

**Mistletoe Lodge #269** District #29  
305 S Church St Conway Springs KS  
Meeting 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> Mondays 7:30 PM

**Unity Lodge #273** District #29 316-788-4196  
112 W Ross St Clearwater KS  
Meeting 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> Tuesdays 7:30 PM

## Brothers,

Are you looking for a way to be involved with the Scottish Rite, meet interesting people, get a free meal, and get credit towards a life membership all while investing just a few hour's work? We are looking for volunteers to be door greeters for the many events we host.

The job involves saying "hello", "thanks for coming", and "the restrooms are that way". You may be asked about the building or Masonry. The history we have written out and you can tell folks what Masonry means to you. You are also welcome to bring your lady along.

For more information contact Tony Nelzen 32° KCCH at 316-772-0874 or Leroy Roseberry 32° at 316-648-9043.

Editors note: I have been doing this for over 14 years and have enjoyed it immensely. You get to meet and talk to many wonderful people from all walks of life, listen to their stories and inform them of our Great Fraternity. You will get to try foods from ethnic cuisines that you probably would not otherwise have tried. Lastly you get to learn about different cultures and their values, thus improving yourself in Masonry.



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### Honors Recommendations for 2017

This is Honors year and Hugh W. Gill III 33 SGIG in Kansas has asked that we have all recommendations for Honors to him by the first of March 2017. If you have someone who you would like to recommend for KCCH of 33, please send a detailed narrative describing the reasons that you believe the Brother is qualified to receive an honor to Jim Davenport 33, at [jim@wichitascottishrite.org](mailto:jim@wichitascottishrite.org) or Scott Kailer 33 at [scott@wichitascottishrite.org](mailto:scott@wichitascottishrite.org) or mail them to Wichita Scottish Rite 323 E First St Wichita KS 67202 by 22 February 2017. These honors are getting more competitive with so many deserving Brothers and the number of honors being small, you need to include as many reasons and specific details as possible to give your recommendation a chance to be the one that is selected. The Honors Conferral will be on Saturday 18 November 2017.

## State of the printed Double Eagle Newsletter

The Wichita Scottish Rite like many fraternal organizations is struggling with its finances. Many of our Brothers feel a newsletter is essential to keep all of our Brothers up-to-date on what is going on. Unfortunately there is no budget for the newsletter. The most economical method is by email. Currently we have email addresses for 600 of our 1800 members. It cost approximately \$1.50 per issue to print and mail the newsletter to each of our 1200 members using an outside contractor. If we can get 4 to 8 Brothers to volunteer to help print, collate, fold, and mail the newsletters in-house we hope to save half or more of this cost. If you have an email address and are not currently receiving the eDoubleEagle please send your email address to [lisa@wichitaschottishrite.org](mailto:lisa@wichitaschottishrite.org).

The first issue for 2017 will go out initially as an email attachment. Please print this newsletter and give a copy to all of your Brothers who do not have an email address listed with us. A copy will also be placed on the website at [www.wichitaschottishrite.org](http://www.wichitaschottishrite.org).

The newsletter will have to be self-sufficient. Therefore it will have to be paid for with subscriptions (\$1.50 for each printed copy), and donations. The estimated cost to publish the first printed copy to our 1200 members without email addresses is \$1200.00. The planned second issue should cost less as the initial setup is no longer required. If you have ideas and/or suggestions sent them to [newsletter@wichitaschottishrite.org](mailto:newsletter@wichitaschottishrite.org).



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**Join us for good food and fellowship.**

## Sunday Family Lunch at the Wichita Scottish Rite

### 22 January 2017 All you can eat Pasta

All you can eat Pasta (will include lasagna, 3 different types of pasta, meat sauce, marinara, Alfredo, Italian style salad, and garlic bread). \$10.00 per person, \$7.50 for 1<sup>ST</sup> Responders with ID, \$5.00 for Children under 12; dine in or carry out. Restrictions on carry out orders. Call 316-648-9043 for takeout orders. Starting at 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM or when the food runs out, which ever comes first.



## SUPPORT YOUR LODGE THIS IS WHERE SCOTTISH RITE MASONS ARE BORN

**Please attend the Rite Care fundraiser** on Friday February 3. It is our largest fundraiser for our Rite Care Clinic on the Wichita State University Campus. A fantastic dinner will be catered by Scotch and Sirloin. Signature Theater will be performing a dinner murder mystery. Silent and live auctions will be held with many items up for bid. Come and enjoy the evening.

### YOU WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED!

#### Community Daylight Lodge #453

Was established to give Brothers, who work the evening shifts and who are no longer able to drive after dark, a place to attend Lodge. They meet the first and third Wednesdays at 10:00 AM in the Wichita Scottish Rite Lodge Room. An invitation is extended to all Brothers, and especially those who meet the above criteria, to visit Community Daylight Lodge #453 for Masonic Intercourse and Fellowship.

## Sunday Family Lunch at the Wichita Scottish Rite

### 19 February 2017 All you can eat BBQ

All you can eat BBQ. \$10.00 per person, dine in or carry out. Restrictions on carry out orders. Call 316-648-9043 for takeout orders. Starting at 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM or when the food runs out, which ever comes first.

### Free Lunch Thursday 23 February 2017

Menu: BLT Sandwiches & Soup. Open to all Scottish Rite members, their guests and the public. Cost, a goodwill donation from non-Members (\$7.00). Donations from members is greatly appreciated to help with meal costs.

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## ASK A BROTHER OR FRIEND TO BECOME A SCOTISH RITE MASON

### DID YOU KNOW?

A look at our Wichita Scottish Rite archive room.

By Van McLemore, 33<sup>o</sup>, and Ross Smith, 33<sup>o</sup>

We have been asked to write about some of the items that we have in the Wichita Scottish Rite (WSR) archive room that Brother Ross Smith and I have uncovered in our search through the archival material. We have spent the last couple of years trying to organize all of the material and have come across numerous items and information that Ross and I were not aware of, and Ross has 85 years of WSR history here in the building, starting at 5 years old when he played a school-boy in one of the old 32<sup>o</sup> Tableaus.

Our archival room is located on the second floor in the hall directly behind the main dining room orchestra balcony. Inside the archive room and other locations around the building we have sorted and documented the following items:

Class pictures dating back to 1895. The older pictures are interesting since most of the pictures through the 1950's were taken on the outside of the building and we can see the progress of various additions and upgrades to the building. The clothing styles through the years are also interesting to note. The largest class was the Spring 1944 Lieutenant Clifford Victor Hunt, Jr. Class, which included 669 members. Lieutenant Hunt, 32<sup>o</sup>, USNR, was the first WSR member killed in the Second World War. Can you imagine the main dining hall with 669 members, their wives or girlfriends, other WSR members and guests with their wives or girlfriends, and staff? In November of 1927, there were noted 1,200 present in the main dining room for the class banquet. There are also old, very large (and heavy) framed class pictures. It is not known where these might have been hung. Possibly in the old open reception room (now main office) or the walls of the main dining room. Our class pictures include 32<sup>o</sup> class reunions, KCCH honors classes, and 33<sup>o</sup> honors classes. There is also a large folder of individual member pictures.

Class reunion books and pamphlets dating back to the 1880's, including reunion books and

pamphlets from other Valleys and Orients. The WSR reunion books up to the 1960's were bound booklets including reports from the various class officers, the class picture, the reunion schedule in detail, and various other pictures and information for the new member. These bound booklets were sent out to the new members after the class as a souvenir of the experience that they went through. There was a separate "Working Program" used during the reunion that listed the degrees and degree dates and times for use by the staff, actors, and workers. Up through the 1950's, the class had a number of different officers and committees. These included a President, Vice President, Class Historian, Class Orator, Class Motto, Class Music, Class History, Class Reunion, and several other offices and committees. This kept the entire class busy with different offices and committees. At that time a class could be 4 or 5 consecutive days (and nights), or several weekends. The first WSR class was held on January 18, 1888, with 22 new members. Fall 2016 will be our 344<sup>th</sup> class reunion.

In the safe in the main office, we have books of meeting minutes from Elmo Lodge of Perfection No. 9 (ELOP). These books date back to the first meeting held in June of 1887. The early meeting minutes are in beautiful flowing cursive script handwriting and it takes a while to decipher what they are writing. We have written down various milestone items from the meeting minutes to give us a time line of events throughout our history. There are also meeting minutes from the other coordinate bodies. Originally, the four coordinate bodies had separate meetings; performed all duties separately; had separate trustees; separate degree work; and paid bills separately. In January 1898, this changed to empower ELOP to act as the sole governing body of WSR. At one meeting in November, 1946, there were 350 members noted in attendance at the ELOP meeting. After the meeting, they would serve snacks and sandwiches, and sometimes they would serve meals.

Copies of the Scottish Rite "New Age Magazine" dating back to 1915. This magazine was changed to the "Scottish Rite Journal" starting about 1990, which we also have copies of in the room. There are also complete bound books of the New Age Magazine in our Library on the fourth floor.

Copies of the Wichita Scottish Rite Double Eagle newsletter dating back to September 1935. These are very interesting to read since they contain many articles and photographs that pertain to our history. There were also articles from

the Secretary on events happening around the building, along with articles from the heads of the coordinate bodies, the Personal Representative, and the S.G.I.G. in Kansas.

There is a small library of miscellaneous Masonic books dealing with the Scottish Rite, the Blue Lodge, and other subjects. We also have copies of Morals and Dogma books dating back to 1903, and sign in registers and class rosters for the class reunions and ELOP meetings dating back to 1904.

We have Patents that were given to members honoring their 32<sup>o</sup>, KCCH honors, 33<sup>o</sup> honors, and 50 year memberships. The earliest Patent date that we have is April 11, 1895. The Patents are mainly in English, but we also have Patents that are in Latin. According to old reunion books, Patents years ago were issued in both English and Latin. The Latin version was to display, and there was a smaller English version to fold and carry with you. Members would lay out Patents during reunions and other members would then sign their names to the Patents. Most of the patents that we have come to us from donations, but some of these were not delivered because of address changes when mailed, when a correct address was not known. We also have Patents that were issued to the wife, daughter, or sister of a member on application from the member, entitling them to the protection of the Rite when occasion required. These date from 1912. We welcome you to look through our list to see if any of the Patents should go to family members that you might know of.

Copies of old building plans are located in file drawers. These include partial building plans and exterior elevations of the original Y.M.C.A. building; the 1908 addition; the 1954 addition; and the Albert Pike Lodge addition. There are also copies of old specifications for the additions.

We have a book of pictures of both the exterior of the building and areas around the interior of the building that have been taken through the years. These are interesting to look at to see how some of the areas in the building have changed and have been remodeled to serve other functions. These include the auditorium that was in the original Y.M.C.A. portion of the building showing how the auditorium and stage were arranged. This location is now the Lodge room, foyer, and outside seating area on the third floor in the original Y.M.C.A. portion of the building.

We have original abstracts of our present property dating back to the mid 1800's when the land was titled as a part of the "Osage Indian

Land Trust". The land was originally purchased by J.R. Mead, one of Wichita's founding fathers.

This is not an inclusive list of everything that we have gone through, just a generalization of the items. We are still coming up with items that are found around the building. There are also numerous miscellaneous items that we have documented. We welcome anyone to come and go through our archive room and look through the various items that we have.

We will be having a series of future articles that will deal with a time line of events throughout our WSR history. Please be looking for these and give us any comments that you may have if you find anything in error, or if you have further information on any of the items.



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#### **Lodges of the 3 Districts in Wichita KS area: 26, 27, 28**

**Wichita Lodge #99** District #27 316-530-1099

332 E First St Wichita KS

Meeting 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> Mondays 7:30 PM

Study Club /Degree Work 2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> Monday 7:30 PM

Meal each Monday 6:30 PM

**Bester G. Brown Lodge #433** District #28 316-993-0901

332 E First St Wichita KS

Meeting 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> Thursdays 7:30 PM

Meal 1<sup>ST</sup> Thursday 6:30 PM

**Community Daylight Lodge #453** District #26 316-304-1939

332 E First St Wichita KS

Meeting 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> Wednesdays 10:00 AM

Breakfast 3<sup>RD</sup> Wednesday 8:30 AM

**Albert Pike Lodge #303** District #28 316-269-7851

401 S Seneca St Wichita KS

2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> Wednesdays 7:30 PM

**Pyramid Lodge #451** District #29 316-644-2884

401 S Seneca St Wichita KS

Meeting 2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> Tuesdays 7:30 M

**Masonic Home Lodge #450** District #28 316-519-8083

401 S Seneca St Wichita KS

Meetings as Called

# Wichita Consistory



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## Seriously

Please help up save money/costs by providing us with your eMail address.

Please send your eMail address to  
lisa@WichitaScottishRite.org  
to begin receiving up-to-date announcements!

## Check it out

The Tylers Place Podcasts on the Supreme Council Southern Jurisdiction website at <https://scottishrite.org/about/media-publications/tylers-place/>  
They cover many different topics on Masonry and Scottish Rite Masonry.  
The current podcast is on Ill Brother Gene Autry 33°.

## Newsletter Survey

The printed newsletter in the past has cost approximately \$1.50 per copy to go to each of our 1200 members, whom we do not have email addresses for. Please read the following questions about the newsletter and call the office at 316-263-4218 with your responses.

Do you think the Wichita Scottish Rite should send a printed newsletter:

- To all members (1800 members)   
To only members without email's (1200 members)

Send newsletters how many times per year:

- Two (every 6 months)  Three (every 4 months)  Four (every 3 months)   
Six (every 2 months as in the past)  Twelve (every month)

Would you be willing to pay a subscription for each newsletter:

- \$1.50  \$1.00  \$0.75

Would you be willing to donate money to help pay for the newsletters to be printed and mailed:

- Yes  No  How much \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Should we sell advertisements to help pay for the newsletter: (this would be 1 to 2 pages of ads)

- Yes  No